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Sir:

Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$1,280.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

Petition for Extension of Time\$950.00

A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUBMISSION OF COMMUNICATION REGARDING OFFICE ACTION IN CORRESPONDING FOREIGN APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants are submitting herewith a communication regarding an Office Action issued in connection with an application in Venezuela corresponding to the present U.S. application. There are four references, D1 to D4, cited in this communication. All of these references are cited in Applicant's IDS filed June 22, 2001 in the present application. As apparent from the Examinerinitialed PTO-1449 form attached to the Office Action of February 21, 2003, the Examiner has already considered these references.

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Dear Sirs:

In connection with the captioned matter, please be informed that the PTO issued an Official Action published in Official Bulletin No. 459.

The basis for the examiner objections is as follows:

- 1) The following documents are relevant for the examination of the present case. Accordingly, a copy of the same must be provided in response to the official action.
- D1) US 5518704
- D2) EP 0475357
- D3) WO 9414700
- D4) WO 9915459.
- 2) Also, the examiner based on article 46 of Andean Decision 486, requires the Applicant to present any of the following documents related to one or more foreign equivalent patent application of the present case:

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a) copies of the findings of the examinations of the novelty or patentability of the invention conducted with respect to the foreign application WO 0038832 (the Venezuelan PTO may accept the results of the examinations as sufficient to certify that the conditions for the invention's patentability have been fulfilled);

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